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Applicant: B. Hawks et al. Examiner: Adnan M. Mirza
Serial No.: 09/579,864 Group Art Unit: 2145
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TITLE: METHOD OF, SYSTEM FOR, AND COMPUTER PROGRAM PRODUCT
FOR PROVIDING A DATA STRUCTURE FOR CONFIGURING
CONNECTIONS BETWEEN A LOCAL WORKSTATION FILE SYSTEM
AND A REMOTE HOST FILE SYSTEM

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AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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Dear Sir:

This Amendment is submitted in response to a fifth non-final office ("Fifth Office Action") dated July 26, 2005, in which the Examiner rejected pending claims 1-21 as obvious (35 U.S.C. §103) over prior art. On November 3rd, the attorney for Applicants and the Examiner held a phone interview discussing the claims. The Examiner and the attorney discussed certain amendments to the claims that the Examiner indicated he would enter and that he said appear to distinguish over the cited art. Applicants amended independent claims 1, 2, and 15 to include the discussed requirements. Applicants traverse the prior art rejections with respect to the amended claims and submit that all pending claims 1-21 are patentable over the cited art for the reasons discussed herein.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 8.